

# CONTROLLER AND REMOVABLE USER INTERFACE (RUI) FOR CONTROLLING MEDIA EVENT

## Abstract

An apparatus for controlling a media event includes a controller capable of communicating with a media device and an overlay removably attached to the controller. The controller includes a processor for performing machine executable instructions for communicating one or more commands to the media device. The overlay includes a plurality of user inputs and a machine readable medium having machine executable instructions comprising commands for controlling a media event. Each user input is disposed for direct contact by a user in actuating the user input. Upon actuation of a user input, the processor performs a device independent instruction of the overlay resulting in performance of a device specific instruction of the controller, thereby communicating a device specific command to the media device.